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Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed on April 21, 2005, applicant requests that the application be amended as follows: